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St. Thomas Aquinas Church - 100 Years of Serving the People of the Ojai Valley



*Love
your
enemies*

February 24, 2019

Seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time

LITURGIES

Saturday
8:00AM Daily Mass

Vigils
5:00PM English & 7:30PM Spanish

Sunday
7:30AM & 9:30AM English
11:30AM Spanish

Weekdays
M-F 9:00AM Parish

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays
3:30-4:30PM or
by appointment 646-4338 X105

ROSARIES
Wednesday 6:15PM ~ Spanish
Friday 9:30AM ~ Cenacles of Life
Sunday 7:00AM

ADORER CHAPEL HOURS
Thursday morning through
Saturday mornings

PRAYER LINE

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WEDDINGS

Call for appointment with the Pastor

BAPTISMS

(Call for appointment)
Spanish-Father Fernando
English-Deacon Phil

FUNERALS

Please call 646-4338 X101

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

In baptism we are called to mirror and image the mercy and forgiveness the Lord has won for us. As David would not harm Saul, his enemy, so we are challenged to love and pardon those who wrong us.

Monday: Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29

Those who are truly wise place their faith and trust in the Lord. The decrees of God are worthy of trust indeed.

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37

Discipleship entails trust and a willingness to heed the call of Jesus to enter into his passion and death. He never forsakes us.

Wednesday: Sir 4:11-19; Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175; Mk 9:38-40

Those who know the law of the Lord will experience wisdom and insight. Those who are not against us are for us.

Thursday: Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mk 9:41-50

Turn to the Lord who watches over the way of the just, beware of leading others astray.

Friday: Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35; Mk 10:1-12

A faithful friend delight in the statutes and wonders of the Lord. Let no one dissolve what God has joined together.

Saturday: Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-18; Mk 10:13-16

In the splendor of creation, the human race has been created in a covenant of Love. The kingdom belongs to all God's Children.

Sunday: Sir:27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3, 13-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

The fruit of our speech and actions will wither and die unless we first recognize the plank in our own eye. By humbly admitting our own sins, we can more fruitfully persevere in the work of the Lord.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Friday: World Day of Prayer; First Friday

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

DESTROYING ONE'S ENEMIES

Am I not destroying my enemies when I make friends of them?

LECTURAS PARA LA SEMANA

Domingo: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Sal 103 (102):1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lc 6:27-38

Lunes: Eclo 1:1-10; Sal 93 (92):1-2, 5; Mc 9:14-29

Martes: Eclo 2:1-11; Sal 37 (36):3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mc 9:30-37

Miércoles: Eclo 4:11-19; Sal 119 (118):165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175; Mc 9:38-40

Jueves: Eclo 5:1-8; Sal 1:1-4, 6; Mc 9:41-50

Viernes: Eclo 6:5-17; Sal 119 (118):12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35; Mc 10:1-12

Sábado: Eclo 17:1-15; Sal 103 (102):13-18; Mc 10:13-16

Domingo: Eclo:27:4-7; Sal 92 (91):2-3, 13-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lc 6:39-45

LOS SANTOS Y OTRAS CELEBRACIONES

Domingo: Séptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Viernes: Día Mundial de Oración; Primer viernes

Sábado: Santa María Virgen; Primer sabayon

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE

Según san Mateo, una noche mientras los discípulos estaban en la barca de Pedro, Jesús vino hacia ellos caminando sobre el mar. Ellos se espantaron creyendo que era un fantasma de algún pescador pero él los calmó diciendo "¡Ánimo!, que soy yo; no teman". Debí ser impactante ver al Señor caminar sobre las aguas, especialmente en una época donde las aguas venían consideradas como el caos.

En varias partes de Latinoamérica los fieles celebran a distintos santos con procesiones de barcos sobre ríos o mares. En el Puerto de Paíta, Perú se llevan a los santos Pedro y Pablo en una procesión acuática. San Pedro, que fue pescador, está en casa sobre la barca, ya que normalmente son barcas de pescadores las que forman la procesión.

Esta procesión reconoce el caos del mar reconociendo a los pescadores, que durante el año perdieron sus vidas en el mar, con guiraldas lanzadas a la bahía. Pero, esta procesión no se espanta del mar ya que es una fiesta en honor de dos siervos de aquel que camina sobre las aguas, dominando el mar.

THIS AND THAT**ESTO Y AQUELLO****FROM OUR PASTOR**

Dear Friends,

Believe it or not, Lent starts March 6th. We hear that Jesus offers us the Good News. This Lent please avail yourself to it. What is the Good News, you ask? It's that you were born for greater things. Growing in Christ means that we increasingly open our hearts to receive Jesus' love which is always present to us. So let us receive His love in order to make our lives something special- something beautiful for Him. (says Mother St. Teresa.)

How do we do that, you might ask? One way is to attend the video presentations on, "The Mass". When we presented Bishop Barron's "Catholicism" series, I counted 55 participants at one meeting.

Another popular method of being regularly enriched in Christ is the email series called, "Engage". I received feedback from last Lent's Engage, that this was a super tool to assist you to know, love and serve the good Lord better. And you have free access to a lot of other video series as well!

If we have your e-mail address, the access to our Bishop's Lenten talks will nourish your souls. If we do not have your e-mail, please call or e-mail the parish office to update your information so you can receive the Lenten Series also. office@stacojai.org or 805-646-4338 x 101. Let us prepare for Lenten spiritual growth.

May God's amazing grace enliven you.
Fr. Tom

DE NUESTRO PASTOR

Queridos amigos,

Créalo o no, Cuaresma comienza el 6 de marzo. Escuchamos que Jesús nos ofrece la buena nueva. Esta Cuaresma por favor sírvanse. ¿Qué es la buena nueva, pregunta? Es que naciste para cosas mayores. Crecer en Cristo significa que cada vez más abrimos nuestros corazones para recibir el amor de Jesús que siempre nos está presente. Así que recibamos su amor con el fin de hacer de nuestras vidas algo especial-algo bello para él. (dice la madre Santa Teresa.)

¿Cómo lo hacemos, podrías preguntar? Una forma es asistir a las presentaciones de video, "la Misa". Cuando presentamos la serie "catolicismo" del obispo Barron, conté a 55 participantes en una reunion.

Otro método popular de ser enriquecido regularmente en Cristo es la serie de correo electrónico llamada "engage". Recibí comentarios de ENGAGE de la última Cuaresma, que era una herramienta estupenda para ayudarte a conocer, amar y servir mejor al buen Señor. Y usted tiene acceso gratuito a una gran cantidad de otras series de video, así! Si tenemos su dirección de correo electrónico, el acceso a las charlas cuaresmales de nuestro obispo nutrirá sus almas. Si no tenemos su correo electrónico, por favor llame o envíe un correo electrónico a la oficina parroquial para actualizar su información para que pueda recibir la serie de Cuaresma también. Office@stacojai.org o 805-646-4338 x 101. Preparemos para el crecimiento espiritual cuaresmal.

Que la gracia asombrosa de Dios te amenize.
Fr. Tom

Vocation Discernment Retreat:

The Augustinians will be conducting a vocation discernment retreat in San Diego the weekend of March 8th-10th for single Catholic men between the ages of 18 and 40 who are open to God inviting them to ministry and life in a religious community. See one of the priests after Mass for details.

**Retiro de discernimiento vocacional:**

Los Agustinos estarán llevando a cabo un retiro de discernimiento vocacional en San Diego el fin de semana del 8 al 10 de marzo para hombres católicos solteros entre las edades de 18 y 40 que están abiertos a Dios invitándolos al Ministerio y a la vida en un religioso Comunidad. Vea a uno de los sacerdotes después de la Misa para más detalles.

Spread love wherever you go. Let no one ever come to you, without leaving happier.
-Mother Teresa

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

ESTA SEMANA EN NUESTRA PARROQUIA

Sun:	2-24	7:00AM	Rosary
Mon:	2-25	9:00AM	Daily Mass
Tue:	2-26	6:00PM 7-8:30PM 7:00pm	Homeless shelter English class RCIA
Wed:	2-27	3:30PM-5:00PM 6:00PM-7:30PM 6:00PM-8:00PM	Religious classes Middle School Youth Group Religious classes– Spanish High School Youth Group
Thurs:	2-28		Adoration
Fri:	3-01	9:30AM 3:00PM	Adoration Rosary Bulletin Submission Deadline
Sat:	3-02	3:30-4:30PM	Adoration Reconciliation
Sun:	3-03	7:00AM 10:30AM 4-6:00PM	Rosary RCIA Confirmation

Dom:	2-24	7:00 AM	Rosario
Lun:	2-25	9:00AM	Misa diaria
Martes	2-26	6:00PM 7-8:30pm 7:00PM	Refugio Clase de inglés RCIA
Miér:	2-27	3:30PM-5:00PM 6:00PM-7:30PM 6:00PM-8:00PM	Clases religiosas Grupo de jóvenes de la escuela intermedia Clases religiosas Español Grupo de jóvenes de la escuela secundaria
Jue:	2-28		Adoración
Viernes:	3-01	9:30 am 3:00 PM	Adoración rosario Envío de boletines Fecha tope
Sáb:	3-02	3:30-4:30PM	Adoración Reconciliación
Dom:	3-03	7:00 AM 10:30 AM 4-6: 00PM	Rosario RICA Confirmación

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday	Feb 24	11:30AM	Anne & Fred Oberteau †	By: McTavish Family
Monday	Feb 25	9:00AM	Betty Young †	By: Connie Rimpa
Tuesday	Feb 26	9:00AM	Raymond Ordaz †	By: Joyce Patota Family
Wednesday	Feb 27	9:00AM	Tom Jamison †	By: Dick & Kathy Sebek
Thursday	Feb 28	9:00AM	Duane Berquist †	By: LeRoy & Donna Steichem
Friday	Mar 01	9:00AM	Trina Soares †	By: Bob & Punky Soares
Saturday	Mar 02	5:00PM	Ron Chegwidden †	By: Ida Chegwidden



SHARED
HARVEST
MARCH 7, 2019
10 AM



COSECHA
COMPARTIDA
MARZO 7, 2019
10 AM

FAMILY

FAMILIA

DID YOU KNOW?

Part of the “Protecting God’s Children” training program is designed to control who has access to children and ensure that those who do undergo rigorous screening measures. It’s important for all adults to understand what this means and how this process works. Adults who are being screened have not been identified as potential predators. Rather, all employees and volunteers are screened carefully because such screenings constitute an important preventive protective step in establishing a safe environment in the parish. Screening gives confidence to parents, children, and those working with them that all are committed to the protection of children and youth in our Church. For more information in the VIRTUS® article “When Talking about Controlling Access,”

¿SABÍA USTED?

Parte del programa de capacitación “Protegiendo a los niños de Dios” está diseñado para controlar quién tiene acceso a los niños y para garantizar que aquellos que lo hacen se sometan a rigurosas medidas de antecedentes. Es importante que todos los adultos comprendan qué significa esto y cómo funciona este proceso. Los adultos que están siendo evaluados no han sido identificados como depredadores potenciales. Al contrario, todos los empleados y voluntarios son examinados cuidadosamente porque estos exámenes constituyen un importante paso de protección preventiva para establecer un ambiente seguro en la parroquia. Estas evaluaciones dan confianza a los padres, a los niños, y a quienes trabajan con ellos, de que todos están comprometidos con la protección de los niños y jóvenes en nuestra Iglesia. Para obtener más información del artículo de VIRTUS® article “When Talking about Controlling Access” (Cuando se habla de controlar el acceso),

God's Word for Children

King Saul was very jealous of David and wanted to find him. Instead David found Saul asleep. Even though David could have harmed him, he did not. Lead David through the maze and down to King Saul.



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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Color all the shapes with a square inside green.
 After doing this you will see what David showed Saul.
 It's what we should show each other also.
 Color all the remaining shapes orange.

Parish information**Información de la parroquia****Host Families for Missionaries needed!**

On Sunday March 10th, we will be having the retreat for our Confirmation students that will again be lead by young missionaries from NET Ministries.

We need to house them while they are in Ojai. Would you please consider opening up your home to at least two of these young missionaries? They are schedule to arrive at night on Saturday March 9th and leave Tuesday morning on February 12th.

Interested in hosting a NET Team missionary? NET traveling and parish team members all spend a year away from their own families to share their faith with young Catholics across the country. They can end up in a different city every night, and "host families" are the vital part of NET Ministries that care for teams while they're away from home.

Host families provide a place for team members to eat, pray and rest their heads each night, and many team members cite an experience at a host home as one of their favorite memories from the road. Many families welcome NET teams into their homes year after year, and stay in touch with the team members even after their time with NET has finished.

Host families do not need to worry about having enough beds for the team members they host. Every team member has his or her own sleeping bag and pillow, so floors, couches, or air mattresses work just fine.

When applying to host members of a NET team, host families can request men or women, and in quantities from 2-7. Please call Brian Campos at 646-4338 ext. 102 or by email at brianc@stacojai.org for more information.

¡ Necesitan familias anfitrionas para misioneros!

El domingo 10 de marzo, tendremos el retiro para nuestros estudiantes de confirmación que volverán a ser liderados por jóvenes misioneros de los ministerios netos. Tenemos que albergar a ellos mientras están en Ojai. ¿Podría, por favor, considerar la apertura de su hogar a al menos dos de estos jóvenes misioneros? Están programados para llegar por la noche el sábado 9 de marzo y salir el martes por la mañana del 12 de febrero.

¿Interesado en acoger a un misionero de equipo neto? Los miembros del equipo de viajes netos y de la parroquia pasan un año lejos de sus propias familias para compartir su fe con los jóvenes católicos de todo el país. Pueden terminar en una ciudad diferente cada noche, y "familias anfitrionas" son la parte vital de los ministerios netos que cuidan a los equipos mientras están lejos de casa. Las familias anfitrionas proveen un lugar para que los miembros del equipo coman, oren y descansen la cabeza cada noche, y muchos miembros del equipo citan una experiencia en una casa anfitriona como uno de sus recuerdos favoritos de la carretera. Muchas familias acogen a los equipos netos en sus hogares año tras año, y permanecen en contacto con los miembros del equipo incluso después de su tiempo con NET ha terminado. Las familias anfitrionas no necesitan preocuparse por tener suficientes camas para los miembros del equipo que alojan. Cada miembro del equipo tiene su propio saco de dormir y almohada, por lo que los pisos, Sofás, o colchones de aire funcionan muy bien.

Cuando se aplica a los miembros anfitriones de un equipo de red, las familias anfitrionas pueden solicitar hombres o mujeres, y en cantidades de 2-7. Por favor llame a Brian Campos al 646-4338 ext. 102 o por correo electrónico a brianc@stacojai.org para más información.

Lent begins on March 6th

We will be showing the Bishop Robert Barron series on The Mass. Lent is a wonderful time of reflection and a reminder of why we are called to the Mass and the miracle that happens right before our eyes.

Monday March 11th at 11am and 7pm in English and February 27th at 6pm in Spanish.

Please contact the parish office for questions or to RSVP. All are welcome for this Lenten time of reflection!

Cuaresma comienza el 6 de marzo

Vamos a mostrar la serie del Obispo Robert Barron en la Misa. La Cuaresma es un tiempo maravilloso de reflexión y un recordatorio de por qué estamos llamados a la Misa y al milagro que sucede justo delante de nuestros ojos.

Comenzaremos el lunes 11 de marzo a las 11am y a las 7pm en inglés y el 27 de febrero a las 6pm en español.

Por favor contacte la oficina parroquial para preguntas para RSVP. ¡ Todos son bienvenidos para este tiempo cuaresmal de reflexión!

Parish information cont.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

is a process for conversion to the Catholic church. We gradually introduce the aspects of Catholic beliefs and practices to adults and older children who have attained the age of reason. During their time in RCIA, they will have the opportunity to ask questions and learn about the faith, prayer, spirituality and many other aspects of being Catholic. A team of people from the parish work towards helping the person attain their goals. The timeline is different for each individual, but is long enough for the person to understand what they are undertaking to and be committed to living out a Catholic Christian life: attending Mass, receiving the sacraments, and being part of a parish community.

On March 3rd, we will celebrate the Rite of Election at the 9:30 Mass.

All of our people in preparation to receive sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass on April 20th will be officially received as Elect, by our Pastor, Fr. Tom. Not only are they electing to become Catholic, but God has elected them to be his adopted sons and daughters. Later on that afternoon, we will travel to another ceremony and meet Bishop Robert Barron who will receive them into the process of catechumen. This is part of the preparation journey.

Please pray for our people: Jessica, America, Mateo, Reylene, Lulu, and Emily who have responded and said yes to receiving sacraments at Easter! The responsibility of the entire parish is to be lifting them up in prayer, especially now during their last months of preparation. We give thanks that our parish is alive with new members!

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